



A Reading from the First Letter of St. Peter

Come to him, to that living stone, rejected by men but in God's sight chosen and precious; and like living stones be yourselves built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and he who believes in him will not be put to shame." To you therefore who believe, he is precious, but for those who do not believe, "The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner," and "A stone that will make men stumble, a rock that will make them fall"; for they stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, that you may declare the wonderful deeds of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

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## ***Fifth Sunday of Easter***

**FR. BARRY WILL SAY A PRIVATE MASS FOR THE FOLLOWING INTENTIONS :**

**Sunday, May 10, *Fifth Sunday of Easter***

Ruth Ahaus from Elaine Ahaus

**Monday, May 11**

Robert William Oehler II from Arlene and Ron Potter

**Tuesday, May 12, *St. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs***

Robert Joseph Carle from Mom & Steve

**Wednesday, May 13, *Our Lady of Fatima***

Bill Coleman from Tom & Oti Perrino

**Thursday, May 14, *St. Mathias, Apostle***

Ralph Gerhard Wedekind from The Mohr Family

**Friday, May 15, *St. Isadore***

Mimi London from Mark London & Family

**Saturday, May 16**

Georgia Curran from Chris Ryan

**Sunday, May 17, *Sixth Sunday of Easter***

Terry Michael Merrill from The Family

## ***From the Pastor's Desk***

CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF OHIO EXTEND  
SUSPENSION OF ALL PUBLICLY CELEBRATED  
MASSES/LITURGIES THROUGH MAY 29, 2020

My dear friends of St. Rose,  
I want you to know I pray for you everyday. I hope you are well as we wait out this virus. I appreciate the cards and letters that have been sent along with the generosity to the parish. St. Rose is a great place with great people. I Hope we are together soon to worship our God who is walking with us in these difficult times.

Fr. Barry

THIS WEEKS CHUCKLES:

~ I'M SO OVER BEING PART OF A MAJOR HISTORICAL EVENT RIGHT NOW.  
~ IT'S LIKE BEING 16 AGAIN—GAS IS CHEAP AND I'M GROUNDED.  
~ ANYONE ELSE'S CAR GETTING 3 WEEKS TO THE GALLON AT THE MOMENT?  
~ QUARANTINE HAS TURNED US ALL INTO DOGS. WE ROAM THE HOUSE ALL DAY  
LOOKING FOR FOOD. WE ARE TOLD "NO" IF WE GET TOO CLOSE TO  
STRANGERS. AND WE GET REALLY EXCITED ABOUT CAR RIDES.

THIS IS HOW YOU SHOULD PRAY: "Our Father...." ~Mt 6:9

**Reflection.** The Lord's Prayer contains mysteries...rich in spiritual power. Every petition and prayer we are to make is included. It is a compendium of heavenly doctrine. ~St Cyprian of Carthage

**Prayer.** Lord Jesus, enable me to appreciate the depth and power of the prayer You taught us. Teach me to pray it with full understanding so that it may be my prayer par excellence.

For your convenience here are some alternate ways for Mass:

EWTN has Masses daily at 8am, 12pm and 7pm  
<https://www.ewtn.com/tv/schedule>

MARYTV.TV  
<https://marytv.tv/english-mass-in-medjugorje-13/>  
On-line only

Immaculate Heart of Mary 8am daily  
<https://www.church.ihom.org/>

**Prayer for Nurses and Doctors**

O merciful Father,  
Who have wonderfully fashioned man in your own image, and have made his body to be a temple of the Holy Spirit, sanctify, we pray you, our doctors and nurses and all those whom you have called to study and practice the arts of healing the sick and the prevention of dis-ease and pain. Strengthen them in body and soul, and bless their work, that they may give comfort to those for whose salvation your Son became Man, lived on this earth, healed the sick, and suffered and died on the Cross. Amen



## Living Liturgy™



### Opening Prayer

Almighty ever-living God,  
constantly accomplish the Paschal Mystery within us,  
that those you were pleased to make new in Holy Baptism  
may, under your protective care, bear much fruit  
and come to the joys of life eternal.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### Reflecting on Living the Gospel

We hear another "parabolic discourse" from the Gospel of John. As we saw last week, John does not use the term "parable" in his gospel. Instead, he uses a number of "I am . . ." statements and we have another today: "I am the way and the truth and the life." In essence, this is similar to last week's gospel where Jesus said, "I am the gate." Today Jesus says he is the way to the Father.

Embedded in this parabolic discourse are Jesus' additional sayings about his relation to the Father. We may forgive the disciples for being slightly confused. This passage alone inspired countless generations of theologians in their trinitarian work. Several times Jesus says he is in the Father and the Father is in him. He also says whoever has seen him (Jesus) has seen the Father and that he (Jesus) is going to the Father. And there is no mention of the Spirit!

Such metaphorical or poetic language is often the bane of modern mathematicians and engineers. The relationship between Jesus and the Father cannot be reduced to a mathematical formula; it is not an engineering problem. In the first verse of John's gospel he says, "In the beginning was the word, and the word was with God and the word was God." The Greek term for "with" is not the static *syn*, but the more dynamic *pros*, meaning something akin to "the word was in a dynamic relationship with God." This dynamic relationship is by definition not static. It is not reducible to quantifiable precision, as we might expect in a chemistry lab. Ultimately, we are dealing with imagery, metaphor, and analogy for the divine, which cannot be boxed up, packaged, and distributed in discrete packets of knowledge.

### Closing Prayer

God, Father Almighty, you sent your Son into the world showing us the way of life. The same Spirit that inspired the Scriptures inspired his ministry, and it inspires us too. Awaken us to your Spirit within us, so that we might imitate your Son, who came to serve rather than to be served. For you live and reign, one God, Father, Son, and Spirit, forever and ever. **Amen.**

### For Reflection:

• Jesus tells his disciples, "Do not let your hearts be troubled." Instead they are called to have faith in God and in him. Where have troubles entered into your life and how might you seek to turn them over to the Lord?

### Suggestions for group and individual use:

1. Pray aloud the "Opening Prayer" (in *The Roman Missal* called the "collect").
2. One person read aloud the gospel.
3. Each read prayerfully "Reflecting on Living the Gospel" and spend some time in personal prayer.
4. Share together responses to "For Reflection."
5. Pray the "Closing Prayers."

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## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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### Gospel

John 14:1-12

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Do not let your hearts be troubled.  
You have faith in God; have faith also in me.  
In my Father's house there are many dwelling  
places.

If there were not,  
would I have told you that I am going to  
prepare a place for you?

And if I go and prepare a place for you,  
I will come back again and take you to  
myself,

so that where I am you also may be.  
Where I am going you know the way."

Thomas said to him,

"Master, we do not know where you are going;  
how can we know the way?"

Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth  
and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me.  
If you know me, then you will also know my  
Father.

From now on you do know him and have seen  
him."

Philip said to him,

"Master, show us the Father, and that will  
be enough for us."

Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you for so  
long a time

and you still do not know me, Philip?

Whoever has seen me has seen the Father.  
How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"



Do you not believe that I am in the Father and  
the Father is in me?

The words that I speak to you I do not speak  
on my own.

The Father who dwells in me is doing his works.  
Believe me that I am in the Father and the  
Father is in me,  
or else, believe because of the works  
themselves.

Amen, amen, I say to you,  
whoever believes in me will do the works  
that I do,  
and will do greater ones than these,  
because I am going to the Father."

### Readings for the week:

#### 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 6:1-7  
Ps 32:1-2, 4-5,  
18-19  
1 Pt 2:4-9  
John 14:1-12

#### Monday

Acts 14:5-18  
Ps 115:1-2, 3-4,  
15-16  
John 14:21-25

#### Tuesday

Acts 14:19-28  
Ps 145:10-11,  
12-13ab, 21  
John 14:27-31a

#### Wednesday

Acts 15:1-6  
Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab,  
4cd-5  
John 15:1-8

#### Thursday St. Matthias

Acts 1:15-17,  
20-26  
Ps 113:1-2, 3-4,  
5-6, 7-8  
John 15:9-17

#### Friday

Acts 15:22-31  
Ps 57:8-9,  
10 and 12  
John 15:12-17

#### Saturday

Acts 16:1-10  
Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5  
John 15:18-21

#### 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:5-14, 14-17  
Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7,  
16, 20  
1 Pt 3:15-18  
John 14:15-21